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U. S. 'RETIRES' DIPLOMAT KNOWN TO BE SOVIET SPY

Scandal Cover-Up Charged

Pressure Still On
 To Gag Defector

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An American diplomat caught with irrefutable evidence that he had been a Soviet spy for 18 years, was allowed to resign and disappear in 1961 for fear his prosecution would spill a major State Department scandal.

That's one of the biggest time-bombs under the hushed-up case of Soviet secret police defector, Lt. Col. Michal Goleniewski.

The hope of keeping buried forever the story of the high-level American turncoat, and that of his American mistress who worked in the Warsaw embassy, is one of the prime motives behind the almost desperate attempts of the State Department and Central Intelligence Agency to keep Col. Goleniewski from testifying before the Senate Internal Security subcommittee.

OTHER REASONS behind those attempts are fear of his disclosure of 19 Americans working for the Russian KGB, 12 in State, 4 in CIA and 3 in U. S. scientific laboratories.

One subpoena for Col. Goleniewski's appearance before the Senate subcommittee had already been quashed at CIA's request before these news stories broke on March 2.

After the stories broke, U. S. Rep. Michael A. Feighan (R., Ohio), won a promise from the CIA that Col. Goleniewski would be delivered to a secret session of the Senate panel. It's still a touch-and-go matter, however, with political pressure forming on all sides.

Suspected all along but unknown to this reporter until yesterday was a much more potent reason for the pressure and the strange reluctance of

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